

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Jean-Pierre Camp et al.  
Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A GRANULAR  
MATERIAL AND PRODUCT OBTAINED  
Docket No.: 40286

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, it is requested that the following amendments be made.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.